



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

The Honourable the House of Assembly

At a meeting of the House of Assembly at the Parliament Buildings on Tuesday, the 14th day of July, 2026, at 10.00 o'clock a.m. pursuant to the adjournment.

PRESENT

- His Honour A. E. Holder, S.C., B.Sc. (Hons.), MSW, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (*Speaker*)
His Honour N. G. H. Rowe, J.P. (*Deputy Speaker*)
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| Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, S.C., LL.B. (<i>Prime Minister, Minister of Economic Affairs and Development, Minister of National Security</i>) | Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill, J.P. (<i>Minister of Tourism and International Transport</i>) |
| Hon. T. A. Prescod, J.P., B.A. (<i>Minister in the Prime Minister's Office – Pan African Affairs and Heritage</i>) | Hon. C. E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.) (<i>Minister of Labour, Social Security and the Third Sector</i>) |
| Hon. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. (<i>Senior Minister</i>) (<i>Minister of Energy, Business Development and Commerce</i>) | Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.P.A. (<i>Senior Minister</i>) (<i>Minister of Transport and Works</i>) |
| Mr. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.) | Hon. R. R. Straughn, B.Sc., M.Sc. (<i>Minister of Finance</i>) |
| Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (<i>Deputy Prime Minister</i>) (<i>Minister of Environment, National Beautification and Fisheries</i>) (<i>Leader of Government Business</i>) | Hon. Ms. M. K.-A. Caddle, B.A., M.Sc. (<i>Minister in the Prime Minister's Office – Economic Affairs and Planning</i>) |
| Dr. W. F. Duguid, J.P., B.D.S., F.D.S., F.D.R.C.S., M. Min. | Ms. T. N. S.-A. Moore, J.P., M.B.A. |
| Hon. W. A. Abrahams, S.C., LL.B., L.E.C., (<i>Senior Minister</i>) (<i>Attorney General</i>) | Hon. Miss K. S. McConney (<i>Minister of the Public Service and Talent Development</i>) |
| Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, B.A. (Hons.), M.Sc. (<i>Minister of Technological and Vocational Training</i>) | Dr. the Hon. R. O. Springer, J.P., Ph.D. (<i>Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Works</i>) |
| Hon. I. A. Weir, M.B.A. (<i>Minister of Public and Private Investment</i>) | Hon. D. I. Ishmael, M.B.A., M.Sc. (<i>Minister of State in the Ministry of Health and Wellness</i>) |
| Hon. A. R. Forde, Rph. (<i>Minister of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs</i>) | Hon. C. D. L. Gibbs (<i>Minister of Housing, Lands and Maintenance</i>) |
| Hon. C. McD. Griffith, B.Sc. (<i>Minister of Sports and Community Empowerment</i>) | Hon. C. J. Blackman, J.P., LL.B., LL.M., ACI Arb. (<i>Minister of Education Transformation</i>) |
| Mr. P. R. Phillips, J.P. (<i>Chairman of Committees</i>) | Hon. M. A. Lashley, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (<i>Minister of Legal Affairs and Criminal Justice</i>) |
| | Dr. the Hon. S. M. Munro-Knight, Ph.D. (<i>Minister of Agriculture, Food and Nutritional Security</i>) |
| | Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls, B.Sc. (Hons.), LL.B. (Hons.), LL.M., MCI Arb. (<i>Minister of Home Affairs and Information</i>) |
| | Mr. R. R. Brathwaite, J.P., B.Sc. |
| | Ms. T. Trotman, LL.B., L.E.C. |

ABSENT

Dr. S. E. Browne, M.B.B.S.

IN ATTENDANCE

Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins (*Minister of Health and Wellness*)

PRAYERS

Prayers were taken by Rev. Canon Mark Harewood.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meetings held on Tuesday, 24th February, 2026; Tuesday, 9th June, 2026; and Tuesday, 16th June, 2026 were taken as read and were confirmed on the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

The Minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, 7th July, 2026 were deferred on the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE SPEAKER

Mr. Speaker read the following message from the Honourable the Senate:

MESSAGE

From

THE HONOURABLE THE SENATE

To

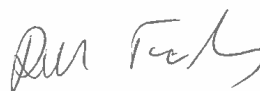
THE HONOURABLE THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

The Honourable the Senate has the honour to inform the Honourable the House of Assembly that at its sitting on **Wednesday 8th July, 2026** the **State (Acquisition and Vesting of Property) (No. 2) Bill, 2026** was amended in the following terms:

In the **Schedule**, Part X, under the heading "*List of Properties and Persons*", in the Table, the name "Marcene Patricia White" in the second column and all the words appearing opposite thereto in the first column were deleted.

AND the Honourable the Senate transmits the amended Bill to the Honourable the House of Assembly inviting concurrence in the amendment to the Bill.

Dated the 8th day of July, 2026.



PRESIDENT

GOVERNMENT NOTICES

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw gave notice of the following:

- Resolution that the Honourable the House of Assembly concur in the amendment made by the Honourable the Senate to the State (Acquisition and Vesting of Property) (No. 2) Bill, 2026.
- Advance Passenger Information and Passenger Name Record Bill, 2026.

FIRST READINGS OF BILLS

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, the Bills following were read a first time:

1. Penal System Reform (Amendment) Bill, 2026; and
2. Advance Passenger Information and Passenger Name Record Bill, 2026.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, Standing Orders 6, 16, 18, 20, 42(5), 43 and 44 were suspended for the remainder of the Sitting.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDER NO. 7

HUMAN TISSUE TRANSPLANT BILL, 2026

On the Order being called to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to provide for the removal of tissue from the body of one person, whether living or deceased, for transplantation into the body of a living person and for related matters.

Mr. Speaker pursuant to Section 53 A(1) of the Constitution invited Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins to introduce the Bill.

Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins spoke and moved, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams that the Bill be read a second time.

Hon. D. I. Ishmael spoke.

Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.

Dr. W. F. Duguid spoke.

SUSPENSION

At 12.56 p.m. on the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, the Sitting was suspended to 2.15 p.m.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 7 (resumed)

Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.

Dr. the Hon. R. O. Springer spoke.

Hon. G. P. B. Nicholls spoke.

Hon. R. R. Straughn spoke.

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.

Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the House went into Committee Mr. P. R. Phillips in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 38 were called in 9 parts and the First and Second Schedules and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Chairman reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to Mr. Speaker who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Ms. L. R. Cummins seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams, the House was adjourned to Tuesday, 21st July, 2026 at 10.00 a.m.

At 5.08 p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

N. R. JONES, K.C.
Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the _____ day of _____, 2026.

Speaker.

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